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Judicial Branch Announces Expansion of Maine eCourts to Lewiston and Auburn Courts

June 5, 2023, Augusta, Maine. The Maine Judicial Branch announced today that the next implementation of Maine eCourts and eFiling is scheduled to launch on or around October 23, 2023, in Lewiston District Court and Androscoggin County Superior Court for most family and civil case types. The new filing and case management system will eventually replace an aging, legacy system and paper court files. The first phase of Maine eCourts was implemented in 2018 for traffic cases statewide, followed by the Bangor District Court, Penobscot County Superior Court, and the statewide Business and Consumer Docket (BCD) in 2020.

Maine eCourts is a suite of applications and web-based tools that uses Tyler Technologies' Odyssey Enterprise Justice Software. The system allows for the management of court dockets and hearings, storage of digital case files, eFiling, and online payments. eFileMaine is Maine's version of Tyler's "File & Serve" platform.

Attorneys, state and local government entities, and those who file more than six cases in a calendar year will be **required** to eFile when the system launches, beginning on or around October 23, 2023. Protection from abuse and harassment, criminal, and civil violations cases will continue to be filed in paper. Self-represented litigants who file fewer than six cases in a calendar year will **not be required** to eFile.

"We are developing a robust schedule of online trainings for attorneys, legal assistants, and high-volume filers to help make the transition from conventional filing to eFiling as seamless as possible when the implementation of eFiling begins in Lewiston and Auburn in October," said Judicial Branch State Court Administrator Amy Quinlan. The training schedule will be announced soon and will be posted on the Judicial Branch's [eFileMaine web page](#).

To learn more about Maine eCourts, visit <https://www.courts.maine.gov/ecourts/index.html>.

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